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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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To the Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith is an *Amendment* in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims remaining after amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	No. of Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Rate
Total Claims	2	Minus	20	0	X \$50	\$0.00
Indep. Claims	2	Minus	3	0	X \$200	\$0.00
				TOTAL	=	\$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No additional fee is believed due however, if this is not the case, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any and all fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Payment for the filing of this Amendment and any appropriate extension of time fees are authorized to be charged to a Credit Card. The appropriate form PTO-2038 is enclosed for this purpose. If the Credit Card is unable to be charged, please charge any and all fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-0308.					
<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant(s) hereby petition the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and request a month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Office Action.					

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of September 26, 2005, in this patent application, Applicants request entry of the amendments and reconsideration of the above-identified patent application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.